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Re: In the Matter of Calling Party Pays Service Option in
The Commercial Mobile Radio Services -- WT Docket No.
97-207. CTIA Petition for Expedited Consideration

Dear Secretary Salas:

By this letter, the New York State Department of Public Service (NYDPS) replies to the comments of the United States Telephone Association and Bell South Corporation on the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association's (CTIA) February 23, 1998 petition for expedited consideration of national rules for Calling Party Pays.¹

NYDPS believes the public interest would be served best by continuing the collection of relevant market information. We urge continued discussion and analysis of the significant policy issues raised by the CTIA's Calling Party Pays proposals. At this time, the NYDPS reserves opinion on the merits of Calling Party Pays, the alleged need for national rules and the extent of the Commission's jurisdiction.

¹ See e.g., Opposition of the United States Telephone Association to Petition for Expedited Consideration, p.9; Comments of BellSouth, p.5.

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The NYDPS believes the substantive issues in this case merit full public discussion and supports continuation of a process to do so. We look forward to continuing the dialogue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lawrence G. Malone".

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